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The reply brief filed 5/28/02 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

As to the second petition mentioned in the Board's communication to the examiner (Paper No. 21, mailed 9/5/02), there is no second petition. The Office of Petitions accepted the missing oath (cited as the reason for dismissing the original petition in Paper No. 7, mailed 11/29/99) without requiring a new petition. Appellants' representative sent a facsimile copy of what was submitted when responding to the original dismissal of their petition, and there is no petition. The entry on the file wrapper seems to have been an error. The facsimile copy has been placed in the back of the file wrapper for the Board's review.



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